jth February MR THOMAS ARUNDEL'S RETURN

Mr Thomas Arundel that some months since went to take service under the Emperor against the Turk is now returned, having gotten an extreme cold *by* tumbling into the sea for safely of his life, when his ship was wrecked, and thereby his apparel, linen, horses, money, and whatsoever else all lost So honourably hath he earned himself in the wars that the Emperor made him an Earl of the Empire But when it was earned to the Queen that he hath presumed to a dignity from the Emperor without her privity he is to be committed to his lodging or to the Fleet until her pleasure be known

nth February FORGERS SENTENCED

Five men called Nixen, Pepper, Ellis, Johnson and Anglesey, that had counterfeited the hands of the Lord Treasurer and others of the Council, were sentenced to-day in the Star Chamber The first three are condemned to stand on the pillory and lose their ears, and be branded on the forehead with an F, and condemned perpetually to the galleys Johnson suffereth the same, but Anglesey, inasmuch as he wrote the names fearing lest Johnson would stab him, to the pillory and imprisonment only The Lord Treasurer moved that since such burnings die out in a short time, they should be scarified on the cheeks with the letter F by a surgeon, and that some powder be put there to colour so it would never vanish , but the others made no reply to this

iith February 'THE BLIND BEGGAR OF ALEXANDRIA'

To-day there is a new play at the Rose by Chapman called *The Blind Beggar of Alexandria* Herein one Irus, supposed a blind beggar, disguising himself as an humorous

Count (one that maketh much of his pistol), an usurer, and a nobleman, mameth several ladies to enjoy their love, and in the end, pretending that the Count and the usurer are suddenly slain, becometh King

THE HUMOURS OF COUNT HERMES

Come, gird this pistol closely to my side,
By which I make men fear my humour still,
And have slain two or three as 'twere my mood,